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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION AT DAYTON

Douglas Malouf,

v.

Plaintiff,

Case No. 3:07-cv-141 Judge Thomas M. Rose

Dayton Board of Education,

Defendant.

ENTRY AND ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR JUDGMENT ON THE PLEADINGS OF DEFENDANT DAYTON BOARD OF EDUCATION, (DOC. 4), AND TERMINATING CASE.

This matter is before the Court for decision on Motion for Judgment on the pleadings of Defendant Dayton Board of Education. Doc. 4. Defendant asserts that Plaintiff has failed to state a claim for relief against Defendant and prays that the complaint be dismissed with prejudice. The motion is unopposed.

According to the complaint, Plaintiff Douglas Malouf was fired on November 11, 2006, after a drug test revealed that he had reported back after lunch under the influence of marijuana to perform his job of transporting school children. Plaintiff complains that his rights under Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration regulations were violated when he was refused the right he claims to have to request a confirmation drug test within seventy-two hours after he was notified of the positive test and not allowed to seek counseling in order to retain his job under the FMSCA.

Plaintiff's first count asserts "violations of the regulations of the Federal Motor Safety

Administration and the Department of Transportation." There is, however, no private right of action

to enforce these regulations. See Parry v. Mohawk Motors of Michigan, Inc., 236 F.3d 299 (6th Cir.

2000).

Plaintiff's second cause of action claims "violations of Plaintiff's procedural civil rights in

violation of 42 U.S.C. § 1983." Plaintiff's complaint, and his non-existent response to the motion,

fail to identify a procedure that might have been deprived. While the complaint impliedly asserts

that Plaintiff has a right to return to work if he should complete counseling, the Court understands

that his employer only has the discretion to allow him to return to work when counseling is

complete. See 49 C.F.R. § 40.289(a) ("As an employer, you are not required to provide a SAP

evaluation or any subsequent recommended education or treatment for an employee who has

violated a DOT drug and alcohol regulation."); see also 49 C.F.R. § 40.305 ("[I]f you decide that

you want to permit the employee to return to the performance of safety sensitive functions...").

Thus, there is no procedure that the Court could provide that would vindicate Plaintiff's rights.

Wherefore, Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings of Defendant Dayton Board of Education, Doc.

4, is **GRANTED**. The captioned cause is hereby **TERMINATED** upon the docket records of the

United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, Western Division, at Dayton.

DONE and **ORDERED** in Dayton, Ohio, on Friday, September 14, 2007.

s/Thomas M. Rose

THOMAS M. ROSE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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